

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NUMBER FORM PTO-1390 (REV. 10-2003) 52433/851 TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) U.S. APPLICATION NO. (If known, see 37 O **CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371** INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED: 19 December 2003 (19/12/2003) December 17, 2004 PCT/JP2004/019468 TITLE OF INVENTION STEEL PLATES FOR ULTRA-HIGH-STRENGTH LINEPIPES AND ULTRA-HIGH-STRENGTH LINEPIPES HAVING EXCELLENT LOW-TEMPERATURE TOUGHNESS AND MANUFACTURING METHODS THEREOF APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US Hitoshi ASAHI; Takuya HARA Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information: This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371. 1. 🗹 2. 🗆 This is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371. 3. ☑ This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below. 4. 🗹 The US has been elected (Article 31). 5. ☑ A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)) a. \square is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau). b. \(\overline{\Pi} \) has been communicated by the International Bureau. c. \square is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US). 6. ☑ An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)). a. Dis attached hereto. b. ☐ has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)). 7. 🗹 a \square are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau). b. \square have been communicated by the International Bureau. c. \square have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired. d. I have not been made and will not be made. An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)). 8. 9. ☑ An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)).

Items 11 to 20 below concern document(s) or information included:

- 11.

 An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.
- 12. An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.

An English language translation of the annexes of the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT

- 13. ☑ A preliminary amendment.
- 14. An Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76.

Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).

- 15. ☐ A substitute specification.
- 16. ☐ A power of attorney and/or change of address letter.
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 A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 37 CFR 1.821 1.825.
- 18. A second copy of the published international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).
- 19. A second copy of the English language translation of the international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).
- 20. ☑ Other items or information: PCT REQUEST, First page of WO 2005/061749 A2, Form PCT/IB/306

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